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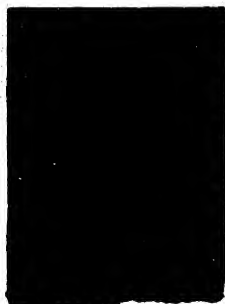
2. ON THE DEATH OF MYO FIRST DEPUTY CHAIRMAN PAPUTIN (REF A), SAME SOURCE SAID HE HAS HEARD IT WAS UNRELATED TO AFGHANISTAN ALTHOUGH INDEED BY SUICIDE, BUT SUPPOSEDLY FOR PERSONAL REASONS RATHER THAN INTRIGUES INSPIRED BY CHURBANOV. ON THE OTHER HAND, ACCORDING TO 

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TO RETALIATE. WATSON

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